

(c) Out of the above Projects Bansagar Dam, Bhandar Canal, Mahi Bajaj Sagar and Tones pump Canal Projects were given investment clearance by the Planning Commission in 1978, 1952, 1971 and 1969 respectively. While Bhandar Canal Scheme has already been completed, Bansagar Dam Project and Mahi Bajaj Sagar Project are likely to spill-over beyond 8th Plan.

(d) The financial and physical progress on these projects are as under :-

Name of Project	Latest Estimated Cost (Rs. in Crores)	Likely Expenditure upto March 1996 (Rs. in crores)	Ultimate Irrigation potential (1000 hactares)	Irrigation potential likely to be created till March, 96 (1000 hactares)
Bansagar Dam	936.00	409.71	399.49	Nil
Bhandar Canal	13.38	6.68	44.50	44.50
Mahi Bajaj Sagar	587.55	491.89	123.50	88.11
Tons Pump Canal	35.19	34.27	33.15	30.14
Kanhar	174.27	39.51	33.13	Nil

(e) The completion of a project depends upon the inter-se priority given by the State Government. The Union Government has recently announced a scheme "Accelerated Irrigation benefit programme" to provide loans assistance to the States for completion of ongoing irrigation projects which conform to the guidelines formulated for the purpose. It is for the States to submit their proposals to Union Government for inclusion of the projects under the programme.

Funds for N.H. 16 - M.P.

2901. SHRI MAHENDRA KARMA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount sanctioned for the broadening of Jagadapur-Bhopal-Patnam National Highway No.16 under district Bastar of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the progress made in this respect till now;

(c) the number of short and medium culverts on this highway; and

(d) whether any proposal for the construction of Mari River Bridge is under the consideration of the Government?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) to (c). A sum of Rs.105.84 lakhs has been sanctioned for widening of road from Km. 493 to 504 of National Highway-16 and the work stands completed. There are 52 medium bridges and 381 Nos. of culverts.

(d) No, Sir.

[English]

Delivery of Passenger Vessel

2902. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a passenger vessel was ordered by A & N Administration at Hooghly Dock and Port, Calcutta, a Government of India Undertaking, a few years ago;

(b) whether the vessel has not been delivered so far;

(c) if so, the details with reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the said vessel is likely to be delivered?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) The delay in construction/delivery of the vessel is primarily due to the following reasons:-

(i) Delay in finalisation of General Arrangement Plan.

(ii) Delay in selection of Main Propulsion Engine & Generator Set.

(iii) Ground sinkage in the slipway at HDPE.

(iv) Devaluation of rupee in April and June, 1991.

(v) Escalation in the cost of vessel due to time over-run.

(vi) Acute cash flow problem experienced by HDPE.

(d) The vessel is expected to be delivered within a period of two years after the approval of Revised Cost Estimate.

Assistance to Indian Workers abroad

2903. SHRI T. GOVINDAN : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government provide legal/financial assistance to poor Indian workers especially in Gulf countries in the event of their accident/demise confinement/execution, while they are working abroad;

(b) the source of information/assistance provided to their relatives in India; and

(c) whether the Government have any programme to educate such people going to Gulf countries for employment and their relatives to overcome such incidental happenings?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL) : (a) On receipt of information regarding accident/death of the Indian national abroad, the Indian Mission liaises with the family members and employer/sponsor for medical assistance/return of the mortal remains to India. In case of arrest of an Indian national,

request is made to the host Government for seeking Consular access. The Consular Officer of the Indian Mission concerned visits the detainee and tries to ascertain grounds and circumstances leading to his arrest. Where necessary the Mission takes up the matter at a higher level with the host Government for speedy and fair trial of review of sentence. The Indian Mission makes all efforts to ensure effective legal defence is available to the prisoner as and where necessary. However, the cost of any legal representation must be borne by the person concerned. Depending upon the circumstances, financial assistance and advances can be provided to destitute and stranded Indians, on a case by case basis, by the Indian Mission.

(b) On receipt of information, the concerned Indian Mission either directly or through the Ministry of External Affairs informs the relatives of the Indian workers abroad of any information/problems concerning the workers.

(c) Government has not formal programme to educate person going to Gulf countries for employment and how to deal with problem which they might face abroad. However, all Indian Missions are in touch with the Indian community and are available to assist in the redressal of their grievances.

Pending Major Monuments in Rajasthan

2904. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA :
SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH BAHTI :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of proposal for conservation of Major Monuments of Rajasthan pending with the Union Government for clearance;

(b) the reasons for not clearing them;

(c) the time by which Archeological Survey of India is likely to give clearance to such major monuments of Rajasthan; and

(d) the details of steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMALI) : (a) to (d). Conservation of Centrally protected monuments in the State of Rajasthan is a continuous process. The monuments are inspected periodically by the Officers of the Circle/Branches/Headquarter and preservation of these monuments are carried out as per their priorities on the Archaeological principle. Three proposals are under different stages of scrutiny and will be disposed off, on their merits and receiving complete technical data. However, an amount of Rs.64.00 Lakhs has been earmarked to structural maintenance and conservation of the Centrally protected monuments in State of Rajasthan.

World Bank Aided Projects

2905. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the present status and details of the ongoing World bank aided National Bridge and Highway Projects in the country;

(b) whether there has been delay in execution of these projects and if so, the reasons therefore in each case.

(c) when each of these projects was launched and at what cost;

(d) the time by which each of these projects are likely to be completed with cost thereof; and

(e) the estimated cost overruns on account of delay in their execution and by whom it will be borne?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) to (c). Presently one loan signed in June, 1992 amounting to US\$ 306 million, is under implementation with the assistance from World Bank. The details are given in statement attached.

(d) and (e). The target dates are also indicated in statement attached. It is too early to indicate the likely costs of completion and cost overrun.

STATEMENT

Second National Highway Project under World Bank Loan (Ln-3470-IN/CH 2365-IN)

Loan amount : US \$ 306 Million
Date of Signing : 18.06.1992
Date of closing : June, 2001

Effective Date 31.08.1992

(Amount in Rs. crores)

S. No.	State	NH. No.	Name of Project	Length in Km.	Sanctioned Cost (Rs. Crores)	Present Progress	Target Date of completion	Project running behind schedule & reasons therefor
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Haryana	1	4-laning between Kamal & Ambala Km 132.88-212.16 (NH.1)	79.50	287.22	Works Commenced in Jan.1995 Progress-18%	July, 1998	